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HOME RULE FOR CUBA THIRTEEN LIVES LOST

Spain Grants the Insurgents More Liberty.

GOVERNOR TO BE RULER

Will Have Two Legislative Bodies to Oversee Him.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The Spanish government within a few weeks will put into execution a comprehensive system of home rule or autonomy for Cuba. There is good reason to believe that the state department has received from Madrid information to this effect. The law which will be put into effect was signed by the Queen Regent March 15.

The element of home rule is secured by the establishment of two local bodies, drawn largely if not entirely from the residents of Cuba. One of these is to be known as a provincial chamber of deputies, and the other as a council of administration. The latter has appellate jurisdiction over the former. Large powers are granted the council of administration in the internal management of public affairs but the governor will continue as the supreme representative of Spain, and have direct charge of military, naval and international questions.

Reed is Late.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The house for the first time this session Speaker Reed was late in arriving at the capitol. Clerk McDowell called the house to order and announced that a speaker pro tem would be elected. Hull, of Iowa, was unanimously elected. He had been seated but a few minutes when Speaker Reed appeared, and amid much laughter said: "The house will be in order."

One hundred and Eighty Birthday. PAULSBORO, April 20.—Mrs. Hanna Chard celebrated her 108th birthday at Ferrill today. There were present three sons, 32 grand children, 82 great grandchildren, and 12 great great grandchildren. Hundreds of people paid their respects to the oldest woman in New Jersey.

Against a Locomotive.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., April 20.—Charles Murphy, the Brooklyn bicyclist, has been training to ride a mile against a locomotive here today. Murphy claims that he can run the distance in one minute.

By the Sinking of the Bark Firth of Solway.

BIMETALLIC CONFERENCE

Representatives of Ten Nations Are in Consultation.

GLASGOW, April 20.—The steamer Marsden collided with the British bark Firth of Solway, yesterday, near the Kish lightship, causing the latter to sink. Thirteen including Captain Kendrick's wife and child were drowned.

BIMETALLIC CONFERENCE.

BRUSSELS, April 20.—The bimetallic conference, called with a view to paving the way to international negotiations on the subject, assembled here today. Delegates from Germany, the United States, Great Britain, France, Austria, Russia, Belgium, Denmark, Holland and Roumania were present.

News in Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—With the thermometer standing 80 degrees, less than 20 senators were on the floor when President pro tem Frye called the upper house to order.

Mitchell of Oregon gave notice that Wednesday next he would ask to take up the bill pensioning veterans of the Indian war.

The Indian appropriation bill was taken up on motion of Pettigrew.

The pending question relative to sectarian schools, owing to the absence of Carter, no definite action was taken. The bond investigation resolution was laid aside after a sharp controversy. Peffer agreed to the postponement after an appeal by Allison not to delay the appropriation bills.

A Royal Wedding.

COPEHAGEN, April 20.—The wedding of Princess Louise of Denmark and Prince Frederick, of Hohenlohe-Langenburg will take place today. The Emperor and Empress Frederick will attend. England will be represented by the Prince and Princess of Wales, Princess Maud and the Duke of York.

FIVE YEARS.—John Pennenger was this morning brought from Jackson county to serve five years in the state prison, for assault with a deadly weapon.

OUR STATE POLITICS.

The State and County Campaign Is Opened.

TONGUE AT TIGARDVILLE.

County Tickets Put Up by Populists and Democrats.

TIGARDVILLE, April 20.—Hon. T. H. Tongue opened his campaign here Friday night before the Young Men's Republican club. There was a large attendance of enthusiastic Republicans to greet Mr. Tongue in his opening address. George A. Hall, president of the club, introduced Mr. Tongue, who proceeded to address the audience for an hour and 20 minutes. Mr. Tongue defined his position on the money question in no uncertain way, speaking for sound money in unanswerable logic. He devoted a considerable portion of his speech to the tariff, reviewing the history of tariff legislation and showing the baneful effects of free trade. It was a fine address, and was listened to with close attention by the large audience, which showed appreciation of the sentiment by applause all the way through.

FUSION IN JOSEPHINE.

GRANT'S PASS, April 20.—The Democratic and Populist county conventions met in this city in separate conventions. The committees appointed from each convention to arrange a fusion, met and reported, after considerable difficulty, delay in arriving at an amicable conclusion, after which the parties met in joint convention. Hon. J. O. Booth, Democrat, was made permanent chairman, and J. S. Denise, Populist, secretary. A full representation of delegates from each party was present, and much interest was manifested throughout the entire proceedings. An extensive resolution was passed, condemning the Republican party for its management of the county's affairs; setting forth the county's present indebtedness, and the large increase over that of two years ago; calling special attention to the excessive taxation, and charging that this deplorable state of affairs is due primarily to the growth of ring and boss rule in the Republican party. The convention then nominated the following ticket:

For representative, W. H. Flanagan, Democrat; sheriff, J. P. Anderson, Democrat; clerk, N. Reynolds, Populist; school superintendent, J. D. Hayes, Populist; treasurer, James Slover, Democrat; assessor, A. N. Cox, Populist; commissioner, R. P. George, Democrat; surveyor, H. C. Perkins, Populist; coroner, Dr. W. T. Kremer, Democrat.

OREGON CITY, April 20.—Eighteen precincts of the county were represented at the meeting of the Republican central committee held here. It was decided to begin the campaign at Sunnyside Monday, May 11, and fill the succeeding three weeks with active work, closing with a grand rally at Oregon City, the Saturday night before the election. The itinerary was arranged wholly independent of the action of the Democrats or the populists, though no objection will be made if the managers of those parties choose to make their dates agree with the Republican appointments, thus making joint meetings.

The leaders of two years ago were quietly set aside, and most of those nominated for office are from outlying precincts. A resolution was adopted instructing representatives, if elected, to work for a reduction in the salaries of all county officers.

POLK DEMOCRATS.

DALLAS, April 20.—The Democratic convention, that adjourned February 22, met here. The action of their

state convention was indorsed, and the following ticket nominated:

For state senator, G. W. Myer, of Dallas; representatives, Dr. T. J. Lee, of Independence, and N. F. Fregg, of Jackson; county judge, S. T. Burche, of Rieckrell; commissioner, Henry Byerly, of Salt Lake; clerk, Eugene Taylor, of Dallas; sheriff, M. F. White, of Rieckrell; treasurer, H. L. Fenton, of Dallas; school superintendent, W. I. Reynolds, of Dallas; assessor, P. L. Frazier, of Douglas; surveyor, T. L. Buttler, of Dallas; coroner, Dr. B. H. McCallon, of Dallas.

UNION BIMETALLIC CONVENTION. McMinnville, April 20.—The Union bimetallic convention nominated the following ticket:

For joint representative, John Gill, representatives, H. C. Guild and O. C. Emery; sheriff, James Henry; clerk, C. E. Dukenfield; recorder, W. T. Macy; assessor, E. J. Wood; treasurer, D. M. Caldwell; school superintendent, G. A. Prentice; commissioner, D. I. Pearce; surveyor, H. S. Maloney; coroner, I. E. Fenton. J. C. Cooper was elected a delegate to the national bimetallic convention, which meets at St. Louis July 22.

POPULIST IN WASCO.

THE DALLAS, April 20.—The Populist county convention was held here. A platform was adopted confirming the Omaha platform and condemning abuses in the state and national government. The attendance was small, and little enthusiasm was shown. Following is the ticket nominated:

For sheriff, W. H. Taylor; clerk, H. L. Howe; treasurer, Seth Morgan; judge, F. J. Taylor; commissioner, Geo. Patterson; assessor, D. R. McCoy; school superintendent, Miss Josie Hannsbur; coroner, Geo. Arnold.

DOUGLAS POPULISTS.

ROSEBURG, April 20.—The populists held their convention here and made the following nominations:

For senator, J. F. Gazely; representatives, Jep Green, C. S. Jackson and Dr. H. P. Brookhart; clerk, F. A. McCall; sheriff, R. L. McLaughlin; treasurer, Fred Hatfield; assessor, Peter Hanson; school superintendent, J. I. Critser; commissioner, A. B. C. Whipple; surveyor, W. R. Whipple; coroner, L. A. Kent.

A Big Fight.

LONDON, April 20.—The big fight between Steve O'Donnell, the Australian, and Owen Sullivan, of Australia, is scheduled to take place this evening at the National Sporting club, for a purse of \$1,000 and side bets. Both men are seemingly in good condition, and a fierce contest is expected.

Reinforcements.

LONDON, April 20.—The Exchange Telegraph company says: A wagon train of provisions from the south is said to have succeeded in entering the beleaguered town of Bulawayo, and reinforcements from Mafeking are reported advancing rapidly without obstruction.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.—Lute Savage, administrator in the estate of L. B. Cavanaugh, today filed his final report and it was approved by County Judge Hubbard, and Mr. Savage was discharged.

ON THE RIVER.—The Ruth went to Portland. Steamer Elmore came up this afternoon with a large delegation to the Women's Presbytery of the North Pacific mission board.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Revival services continue at the Christian church week. Subject of sermon this evening, "The New Jerusalem."

TO WED.—A marriage license was issued today to Joseph Russel and Miss Lida Van Gorden, Lute Savage witness.

INSANE.—Adam M. Roof, a sheep herder from Eastern Oregon, age 30, was brought to the asylum today.

A poor year for bosses.

A SUNDAY NIGHT FIRE

Mrs. A. E. Lewis' Two Houses Burned to the Ground.

THE NEW FIRE ENGINEER

Unable to Lift Water—More Hose and Hydrants Needed.

Salem had a Sunday night fire that has caused much criticism of the fire department and may lead to some changes. At five minutes past eight Sunday evening an alarm was brought to the department headquarters by a small boy on a pony and the department turned out. It proved to be in the dwelling house of Mrs. E. A. Lewis on Fifteenth and Marion streets, a story and a half house. Another house, adjoining to the east is owned by the same party. It was burning up in the roof of the west house and was hot. A barn burned there about a year ago.

It was a long run for the heavy engine and the fire had been burning some time. The engine was set on the Center street bridge on Asylum avenue and water was taken from the creek. For some reason water was not taken. Engineer Hunter Forsythe, who has been on duty since two weeks, temporarily appointed by the committee on fire and water of the city council, was unable to make the pumps work. Herbert Campbell, former engineer, was drafted into service. Water was got onto the burning building after quite a delay and the fire was checked. One house was burned to the ground and the roof of the other before water was secured. The hose men say that if they had got water promptly the first house would not have burned down.

The fire was hot and intense excitement prevailed in the crowd, who cursed the whole department until they understood the facts, when they exonerated Chief Hutton and his boys and put the blame where it evidently belonged, on the shoulders of the inexperienced new engineer, who had never been out with the department.

The hose men got there all right with the nozzle and waited in vain for water. The crowd vented their curses on the department because the fluid did not come. The nine hose men were promptly at the fire and seemed to handle their part of the work in good shape and above the reach of criticism.

The little Silsby was not in shape to go out. Hunter Forsythe had been overhauling it in the morning and in tightening up a bolt twisted off a pipe and she could not go out. So the big LaFrance engine had to be used. The Silsby is now in repair for service. The department made a splendid run to the fire. The hose was well laid. The engine was properly placed to get water. There was abundance of fuel, Mr. A. J. Basey getting there with a large supply of coal. The LaFrance engine was in perfect repair, as after she started the stream thrown was enough to have saved the paint on the second house. The new engineer appointed by the committee on fire and water was unable to make the engine lift water. After what seemed an age to the crowd he had to give it up.

THE ENGINEER'S STATEMENT. Hunter Forsythe, the acting engineer of the fire department, has been serving in that capacity for eleven days. He said that owing to a desire of the council to economize a change had to be made. Campbell had quit on short notice. He was to take the job until the council could make other arrangements. Mr. Forsythe had served seven years and a half as engineer for the Salem Water company, having full control of the works, beginning work for David Allen. He had also worked for Boothby & Farrar in same capacity, and a year and a half under Wallace & Martin. He was on the volunteer fire department with the Tiger Engine company for six years. He fired the Silsby engine off and on at times, and also fired the LaFrance engine when she was first tested on the street for acceptance by the city. The fireman last night was H. A. Smith. There was no trouble about fuel, or firing or getting steam. Mr. Forsythe says he went into the service against the wishes of the chief and the men who seemed to want some other man. He worked at a great disadvantage, but does not blame any of the men for the failure

of the engine last night. He says with a fair show he can run the engine. The engine was turned over to him as in first class order. It was not so. He looked the LaFrance over but decided to not overhaul the machine until she had been tried. He says he had had no drill with the engine, that it sat on the bridge with a heavy suction. Before pumping enough to prime the engine, he opened the hose bib too quick and she lost her priming.

Mr. Forsythe confesses this mistake and was unable to rectify it in time. Walt Holman jumped in and hollered for some one to get a bucket of water. This was done, and the suction cap on the left hand side was screwed off and the engine was primed by hand, and the engine was set to work in about eight or ten minutes. The engine then worked all right. Mr. Lampert called on Mr. Forsythe this morning, and he made the above statement to him, and admits he made a bad break in a bad place.

MAYOR GATCH is very much dissatisfied with the working of the department at the fire last night. He says: "It is a clear case of trying to do a \$75 a month man's work with a \$50 man. It's all right to be economical, but we are paying the dear penalty of being niggardly in an important branch of the public service. I am not in favor of holding the chief engineer responsible for a good fire service, and then putting in men under him with whom he is not satisfied. There must be individual responsibility. Give the chief the men he wants, and then hold him responsible."

MORE HOSE AND HYDRANTS are needed for the protection of the city. A hydrant within reach of the property burned would have saved it. More hydrants and more hose, with the present very efficient pressure of the water works would afford better protection than more engines. There is not a city in the country the size of Salem that maintains so few fire hydrants in proportion to the population. The last fire before this one was put out from a hydrant stream. A better hose and hydrant service is an urgent necessity in this city, unless we all pay higher insurance rates.

THE UNDERWRITERS of Salem, held their regular monthly meeting this forenoon. The Sunday night fire was discussed, and the general opinion was that if the engine had worked when it got there the first building would have been saved partially, and the second entirely. A committee of John G. Wright, J. O. Bozorth, and C. D. Gabrielson will lay their complaints before the next meeting of the city council. The city of Salem has a 10 per cent lower rate than Portland and may now lose this. In three minutes, when a stream was got, the whole fire was darkened right down. The buildings were insured in the C. D. Gabrielson agency and the John G. Wright agency. The latter loss will be in controversy, as Mr. Wright thinks it would not have burned if the engine had worked, as it was not on fire when the engine got there. The loss on the second building is \$600, fully insured and the loss is purely caused by the fault of the engineer. The same state of affairs, defective fire service, Mr. Wright thinks lost our city the woolen mill. The losses will be adjusted by the companies, and then it is quite likely that bills for the losses will be presented to the city for this fire, and litigation may result. The city is liable to get a lesson in the dear school of experience.

CHIEF HUTTON refused to talk about the fire. He said he would make all his statements to the city council. It is well understood that he objected to the cutting down of Engineer Campbell's wages, and, while he was a personal friend to Forsythe, he did not consider that he understood handling a fire engine, and did not recommend his appointment.

THE COMMITTEE on fire and water have had no session, but members privately concede in substance the correctness of the facts as above set forth.

Bishop G. W. Coleman will preach at the Free Methodist church North Salem at 7:30 p. m. April 23d and 24th. Come and hear the aged scholar, teacher and gospel preacher.

TILLMAN A LA-LA.

Opens His Campaign in Kentucky.

BITTER FOR THE LEADERS

His Hearers Abused for Electing Bad Men to Office.

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 20.—Senator Tillman was tendered an ovation in the auditorium here. Although the meeting had been advertised only a few days, the city was full of farmers and other free-silver men, and before the hour for speaking the auditorium was packed. Then the aisles filled up, the galleries overflowed and the stage was crowded with people. A great many women were present. It was a gathering of the non-office-holding clans.

The senator was introduced by Rev. T. Bowling, the noted Methodist minister.

When Senator Tillman arose the audience cheered for several minutes. He showed by his manner of delivery and use of language the characteristics which have made him famous. He was unlike any orator ever seen on a Lexington platform. He would talk in a conversational way with his auditors, then he would declaim in passionate terms. His facial expression was a study. His invective was more bitter than anything heard in Lexington since the days of Thos. F. Marshall. His gestures are of the Talmagean order and his acting of the most vigorous character. He was a revelation to his audience.

TILLMAN'S ADDRESS. Following is a synopsis of Senator Tillman's remarks:

I feel embarrassed coming before an audience of strangers like this on account of the many mean things that have been said about me in the newspapers. I have always heard of the blue grass region of Kentucky. And riding around over it today I can say you can thank your stars you are so well favored. In other less favored sections of this country want and suffering have been stalking hand in hand for years.

I come among you heralded by the press as a person who will do you great injury, but you see I have no hoofs or horns. I tell the truth plainly; no matter who it hurts. I am not an orator, but anybody can tell the truth if he knows it. My experience has been that wherever I have gone I have left more friends behind than I found. I may offend some of you by my plain speaking, but there will be no malice in anything I say. The time has come for the big sore on party politics to be probed and allow the pus to run out.

Why did I come here? Three weeks ago I received an invitation from Colorado to come there and address the Democratic State Convention. I received numerous invitations to speak along the route, and had not thought of stopping in Lexington, until I received a pressing invitation from the President of your Bimetallic League. Even then I felt that I would have to decline, but I received a clipping from your morning Democratic paper saying that the editor hoped if I started to Lexington the train would carry me by, as my coming would tend to destroy the harmony in the Democratic ranks.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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